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From: Spalding, Susan [Spalding.Susan@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/14/2016 11:33:41 PM
To: Shuster, Kenneth [Shuster.Kenneth@epa.gov]; Colon, Lilybeth [Colon.Lilybeth@epa.gov]
CC: Sasseville, Sonya [Sasseville.Sonya@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Fwd: EPA's response to the American Chemical Society about the open burning of toxic and hazardous munitions
Attachments: ACS letter to DoD-EPA.pdf; EPA Response.pdf

Please disregard my voice mail message, I got a copy of EPA's response from one of our community contacts. If you have any additional information about discussions related to the future of OB/OD facilities I would really appreciate it. Our meeting with Clean Harbors Colfax is this Thursday.

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From: BRENDA VALLEE [mailto:bfvallee@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2016 5:27 PM
To: Spalding, Susan <Spalding.Susan@epa.gov>
Subject: Fw: Fwd: EPA's response to the American Chemical Society about the open burning of toxic and hazardous munitions

Letter sent out by Brian Salvatore.

Brenda Vallee

On Thursday, October 20, 2016 12:13 PM, "Salvatore, Brian" <Brian.Salvatore@lsus.edu> wrote:

Here is the EPA's response to the American Chemical Society's open letter about the federal government's established practice of open burning toxic and hazardous munitions near communities where hundreds of thousands of people live. Please see the attached PDF file.

The ACS's letter (also attached) was issued from their Office of Public Affairs in Washington, D.C. this summer. The ACS letter was signed by the CEO, Dr. Thomas M. Connelly, whom I know is quite concerned about this issue and the severe danger it poses to public health and the environment.

Note that the ACS is still awaiting a response from the Department of Defense.

Sincerely,

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Glenn Ruskin <G_Ruskin@acs.org>
Subject: EPA response
Date: October 20, 2016 at 9:19:25 AM CDT
To: "Salvatore, Brian (Brian.Salvatore@lsus.edu)" <Brian.Salvatore@lsus.edu>
Cc: Ray Garant <R_Garant@acs.org>

Brian:

I am pleased to report that we did get back a response from EPA on open burning – see attached – and my apologies for not sending this sooner.

Ray Garant, OPA Public Policy Director, has been in touch with the EPA contact listed in the letter and finds that they were very pleased that ACS has weighed in on the situation. It seems that there are a number of EPA staff very concerned about this issue (for some time) and welcome the involvement of the world's largest scientific society and the credibility and expertise we can bring to solving this problem. I will keep you posted on further developments, but also include Ray in the email chain as he may wish to elaborate a bit more on what things are in the works with the EPA.

Thanks for bringing this matter to our attention – it looks like ACS may well have an opportunity to address this situation!

Glenn.

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